

The National Network of Consultants to Grantmakers

A Vibrant Professional Learning Community Dedicated to Strengthening Philanthropy

The National Network of Consultants to Grantmakers (NNCG) is the **only organization that brings together high-quality consultants to support the work of grantmakers – while advancing the quality and ethical standards of consultants to philanthropy.** NNCG members represent **experienced and carefully vetted practitioners and thought leaders in philanthropy.**

Founded in 2006, NNCG has become a **valued resource and partner in the national philanthropic community.** Our growing network includes a **distinguished and diverse membership of consultants representing a broad range of expertise** related to grantmakers and their philanthropic missions. NNCG members serve all types and sizes of grantmakers, grantmaker networks and philanthropic families.

NNCG's **groundbreaking resources** include:

- The first **directory of highly qualified and vetted consultants to grantmakers** in the United States and Canada;
- Our online **Knowledge Center** – a searchable database of resources for and about grantmaking, developed in partnership with the Foundation Center's IssueLab and containing over 220 reports, case studies, infographics, issue briefs, videos and more offering ideas, research and other information about almost every aspect of philanthropy;
- NNCG's **monthly webinar series** addressing timely trends and topics directly related to the work of philanthropy consultants and grantmakers;
- Our **co-edited Spring 2015 issue of *The Foundation Review***, the first-ever issue devoted exclusively to the field of philanthropy consulting.
- NNCG's nationally recognized **Code of Ethical Conduct** for philanthropic consultants that affirms a commitment to donor service and sets clear standards for behavior.

NNCG is proud of its **partnerships with organizations that share our goal of strengthening and bringing new perspectives to philanthropy.** These include:

- *The Foundation Center*
- *The Council on Foundations*
- *The Forum of Regional Associations of Grantmakers*
- *The National Center for Family Philanthropy*
- *Philanthropy New York, Northern California Grantmakers, Southern California Grantmakers, and other regional associations*
- *The Johnson Center for Philanthropy and its Learn Philanthropy project*
- *The Foundation Review*

The coming year promises to be one of **continued growth and heightened impact** for NNCG. Our plans for the remainder of 2015 and 2016 include:

- **Expanding our groundbreaking Directory of Philanthropy Consultants** with greater visibility and use through promotion by regional grantmaking associations;
- **Expanding and deepening the conversation about the content of NNCG's co-edited issue of *The Foundation Review*** through blogs, other social media, webinars and special presentations;
- **Growing our monthly webinar series on philanthropy consulting**, with upcoming topics including *Using Consultants to Extend a Foundation's Core Competencies*, *The Role of Consultants in Fostering a Learning Culture at Foundations* and *Navigating the Challenges of Multi-client Philanthropic Consultancies*
- **Convening gatherings of NNCG members** in locations across the country, including New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Washington DC and Los Angeles;
- **Beginning facilitated peer learning groups** focused on strengthening the consulting practices of NNCG members;
- **Growing NNCG's current partnerships and forming new ones** with national and regional organizations committed to strengthening philanthropy.

With the leadership and guidance of our distinguished Steering Committee, NNCG looks forward to building on our strong foundation as **an essential resource for high-quality, ethical consultants to grantmakers** – while **working in collaboration with strategic partners to strengthen philanthropy** throughout the United States and beyond.

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